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§383.1 General.

- (a) Scope. This part 383 establishes rates and terms of royalty payments for the public performance of sound recordings in certain digital transmissions by Licensees in accordance with the provisions of 17 U.S.C. 114, and the making of certain ephemeral recordings by Licensees in accordance with the provisions of 17 U.S.C. 112(e), during the period commencing from the inception of the Licensees' Services and continuing through December 31, 2015.
- (b) Legal compliance. Licensees relying upon the statutory licenses set forth in 17 U.S.C. 112(e) and 114 shall comply with the requirements of those sections and the rates and terms of this part.
- (c) Relationship to voluntary agreements. Notwithstanding the royalty rates and terms established in this part, the rates and terms of any license agreements entered into by Copyright Owners and Licensees shall apply in lieu of the rates and terms of this part to transmissions with the scope of such agreements.

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§ 383.2 Definitions.

For purposes of this part, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) Applicable Period is the period for which a particular payment to the designated collection and distribution organization is due.
- (b) Bundled Contracts means contracts between the Licensee and a Provider in which the Service is not the only content licensed by the Licensee to the Provider.
- (c) Copyright Owner is a sound recording copyright owner who is entitled to receive royalty payments under 17 U.S.C. 112(e) or 114(g).

- (d) *License Period* means the period commencing from the inception of the Licensees' Services and continuing through December 31, 2015.
- (e) *Licensee* is a person that has obtained statutory licenses under 17 U.S.C. 112(e) and 114, and the implementing regulations, to make digital audio transmissions as part of a Service (as defined in paragraph (h) of this section), and ephemeral recordings for use in facilitating such transmissions.
- (f) Provider means a "multichannel video programming distributor" as that term is defined in 47 CFR 76.1000(e); notwithstanding such definition, for purposes of this part, a Provider shall include only a distributor of programming to televisions, such as a cable or satellite television provider.
- (g) Revenue. (1) "Revenue" means all monies and other considerations, paid or payable, recognizable during the Applicable Period as revenue by the Licensee consistent with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") and the Licensee's past practices, which is derived by the Licensee from the operation of the Service and shall be comprised of the following:
- (i) Revenues recognizable by Licensee from Licensee's Providers and directly from residential U.S. subscribers for Licensee's Service;
- (ii) Licensee's advertising revenues recognizable from the Service (as billed), or other monies received from sponsors of the Service if any, less advertising agency commissions not to exceed 15% of those fees incurred to a recognized advertising agency not owned or controlled by Licensee;
- (iii) Revenues recognizable for the provision of time on the Service to any third party;
- (iv) Revenues recognizable from the sale of time to Providers of paid programming, such as infomercials, on the Service;
- (v) Where merchandise, service, or anything of value is receivable by Licensee in lieu of cash consideration for the use of Licensee's Service, the fair market value thereof or Licensee's prevailing published rate, whichever is less:
- (vi) Monies or other consideration recognizable as revenue by Licensee